

ORIGINAL

Decision No. 24146

BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of SAN DIEGO)	
ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY, a corporation, for)	
certificate of public convenience and necessity)	
to operate an automobile bus line along El Cajon)	Application
Avenue, Park Boulevard, University Avenue and)	No: 24146
Fifth Avenue in the City of San Diego and for)	
permission to discontinue certain street rail-)	
way service, and for permission to make other)	
incidental changes in service.)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

O R D E R

In the above-numbered application the San Diego Electric Railway Company seeks the Commission's authority to abandon operation of its street railway Route No. 1, and to substitute service through the area now served by this line by an extension of its motor coach Route "F."

The verified application shows that the extension of the motor coach service, as proposed, will provide a through service which will be much more attractive and convenient than the present combination bus and street car service, and will eliminate the present necessity for transfer at the intersection of Park Boulevard and University Avenue.

It is not applicant's intention to remove the tracks or overhead structure on University Avenue between Fifth Avenue and Park Boulevard, as these tracks are necessary for the transferring of cars on railway Routes Nos. 2, 7, and 11 to and from these lines and the car house, and to transport school children in the mornings and evenings during the school year.

No change in fares is involved and Exhibit "A" indicates that headways under the proposed service will be considerably more frequent than at present.

It appears that this is not a matter in which a public hearing is necessary and that the application should be granted, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

I. That the San Diego Electric Railway Company is hereby authorized to discontinue service on its No. 1 street railway line operating over and along the following described route:

Commencing at the intersection of Park Boulevard and University Avenue; thence along University Avenue to Fifth Avenue; thence along Fifth Avenue to Market Street; thence along Market Street to Third Avenue; thence along Third Avenue to Broadway; thence along Broadway to Fifth Avenue;

and suspend regular street car service along University Avenue between Park Boulevard and Fifth Street, all in the City of San Diego.

II. That a certificate of public convenience and necessity be and it is hereby granted to San Diego Electric Railway Company for the operation of an automotive passenger stage service for the transportation of passengers as an extension of its present Route "F" from the intersection of Park Boulevard and University Avenue to the downtown section of San Diego, as a substitute for street railway Route No. 1, abandonment of which is authorized hereinbefore.

This certificate is to be consolidated with the remainder of applicant's operating rights and is subject to the following conditions:

- (1) Written acceptance of the certificate herein granted shall be filed within a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date hereof.
- (2) The motor coach service herein authorized shall be placed into effect concurrently with the abandonment of passenger rail service on applicant's No. 1 rail line.

III. That in the operation of said passenger stage service, pursuant to the foregoing certificate, San Diego Electric Railway Company shall comply with and observe the following service regulations:

- (1) Subject to the authority of this Commission to change or modify such at any time by future order, said passenger stage service shall be conducted over and along the following described route:

Commencing at the intersection of Euclid Avenue and El Cajon Avenue; thence along El Cajon Avenue to Park Boulevard; thence along Park Boulevard to University Avenue; thence along University Avenue to Fifth Avenue; thence along Fifth Avenue to G Street; with permission to turn its motor vehicles at termini, either at the intersection of the streets or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersection in either direction.

- (2) The provisions of Part IV of General Order No. 93-A shall be complied with within thirty (30) days from the commencement date of the substitute service authorized herein, and upon not less than five (5) days' notice to the Commission.
- (3) Rates of fare in volume and effect shall be identical with the rates and rules now in effect on said street car line hereinbefore authorized to be discontinued.

The effective date of this order shall be the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 13th day of May, 1941.

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Commissioners